## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

MARIA SLOOP	<b>*</b>	
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Plaintiff,	•	
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vs.	<b>*</b>	Civil Action No. 2:08-CV-925-MEF
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HYUNDAI POLYTECH AMERICA	<b>*</b>	
COMPANY, INC.	<b>*</b>	
,	<b>*</b>	
Defendant.	<b>*</b>	

## ANSWER OF DEFENDANT HYUNDAI POLYTECH AMERICA COMPANY, INC.

Defendant Hyundai Polytech America Company, Inc. ("Defendant"), by and through its counsel of record, responds to the Plaintiff's Complaint, as follows:

- 1. The allegations in paragraph 1 of the Complaint are statements of law and do not appear to require a response from Defendant. However, to the extent a response may be required, the allegations of paragraph 1 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 2. The allegations in paragraph 2 of the Complaint are statements of law and do not appear to require a response from Defendant. However, to the extent a response may be required, the allegations of paragraph 2 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof

demanded.

- 3. The allegations in paragraph 3 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 4. The allegations in paragraph 4 of the Complaint do not appear to require a response from Defendant. However, to the extent a response may be required, the allegations of paragraph 4 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 5. Defendant admits Plaintiff is a former employee and that she worked in the plant located in Eufaula, Alabama. The remaining allegations in paragraph 5 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 6. Defendant admits it is a business corporation formed in the State of Alabama under the provisions of the Alabama Business Corporation Act. The remaining allegations in paragraph 6 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 7. The allegations in paragraph 7 of the Complaint do not appear to require a response from Defendant. However, to the extent a response may be required, the allegations of paragraph 7 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 8. Defendant admits Plaintiff was employed in October 2007. The remaining allegations in paragraph 8 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 9. The allegations in paragraph 9 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 10. The allegations in paragraph 10 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.

- 11. The allegations in paragraph 11 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 12. The allegations in paragraph 12 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 13. The allegations in paragraph 13 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 14. The allegations in paragraph 14 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 15. The allegations in paragraph 15 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 16. The allegations in paragraph 16 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 17. The allegations in paragraph 17 of the Complaint do not appear to require a response from Defendant. However, to the extent a response may be required, the allegations of paragraph 17 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 18. The allegations in paragraph 18 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 19. The allegations in paragraph 19 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 20. The allegations in paragraph 20 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.

- 21. The allegations in paragraph 21 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 22. The allegations in paragraph 22 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 23. The allegations in paragraph 23 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
- 24. The allegations in paragraph 24 of the Complaint are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.
  - 25. Plaintiff has not satisfied all conditions precedent to the filing of her complaint.
- 26. Plaintiff's lawsuit was not filed within 90 days of her receipt of the Right to Sue letter.
- 27. Defendant exercised reasonable care to prevent and promptly correct any discriminatory behavior by its employees. Defendant promulgated and disseminated nondiscrimination and anti-harassment policies to its employees. Plaintiff unreasonably failed to take advantage of the preventive and corrective opportunities provided by Defendant.
- 28. Defendant states that any award of punitive damages to Plaintiff would constitute a violation of applicable constitutional and statutory standards and safeguards.
- 29. Plaintiff has failed to state a claim against Defendant upon which relief can be granted.
- 30. Plaintiff was terminated by Defendant for legitimate, non-discriminatory reasons, including the failure to satisfactorily perform her job duties.

- 31. Defendant would have made the same decision concerning Plaintiff's employment status irrespective of her gender, national origin, race or alleged pregnancy.
  - 32. Defendant reserves the right to supplement and amend this Answer.

Respectfully submitted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2008.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have on this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2008, electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following, and that I have mailed a copy to non-CM/ECF participants by placing a copy of the foregoing in the U.S. Mail, first-class postage prepaid:

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